

2021 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 188

BY SENATOR WOMACK

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

HOUSING. Provides for the number of board members of the Louisiana Housing Corporation. (8/1/21)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:600.89(A)(1) and the introductory paragraph of (2), (c), and
3 (e), relative to the Louisiana Housing Corporation; to provide relative to the board
4 of directors; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:600.89(A)(1) and the introductory paragraph of (2), (c), and (e),
7 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §600.89. Organization of the corporation

9 A. The Louisiana Housing Corporation shall be governed by a board of
10 directors composed of the following members:

11 (1) One member shall be the state treasurer or his designee. **Notwithstanding**
12 **the provisions of R.S. 49:307.1, the treasurer may name any person as his**
13 **designee to this board.**

14 (2) ~~Six~~ **Eight** members shall be appointed by the governor, **two of whom**
15 **shall be at-large appointments. All members appointed by the governor and**
16 shall meet all of the following criteria:

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1 (c) Not more than one member appointed pursuant to this Paragraph shall be
 2 a resident of a single congressional district, except for the at-large members whom
 3 may be selected from the state at large.

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5 (e) The ~~six~~ **eight** members appointed by the governor shall be diverse and
 6 representative of the state's population as near as practicable, including with respect
 7 to ethnicity, and shall each be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.

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The original instrument was prepared by James Benton. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Cathy R. Wells.

DIGEST

SB 188 Reengrossed

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Present law provides that the state treasurer or his designee shall be a member of the Louisiana Housing Corporation board.

Present law provides that the state treasurer is authorized to appoint as his designee on any statewide board to which he is a member, the deputy state treasurer or any assistant treasurer or any senior staff member of his office to represent him and any action taken or vote made by such representative shall carry the full force and effect as if made by the state treasurer.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding present law the treasurer may appoint any person as his designee.

Present law provides that six members of the board of directors for the Louisiana Housing Corporation shall be appointed by the governor.

Proposed law retains present law but increases the governor's appointees from six to eight.

Present law provides that not more than one member appointed by the governor pursuant to present law shall be a resident of a single congressional district.

Proposed law retains present law but provides an exception for at-large members who may be appointed from anywhere in the state.

Effective August 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 40:600.89(A)(1), (2)(intro para), (c), and (e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Adds two at-large appointments for the governor.

2. Adds provisions regarding treasurer's designee.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Removes the increases in both the president of the Senate and speaker of the House of Representatives appointees.